REPORT TO THE TWENTY-THIRD HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE 2006

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 178, PART III, SECTION 40, SLH 2005

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES SOCIAL SERVICES DIVISION NOVEMBER 2005

REPORT ON ACT 178, PART III, SECTION 40, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET, SESSION LAWS HAWAII 2005

Act 178, Part III, Section 40, Session Laws Hawaii 2005, requires the Department of Human Services to submit a report on the Nursing Home Without Walls (NHWW) and Residential Alternative Community Care Programs (RACC). The report is to include: 1) the number of clients and the number projected to receive services; 2) the number of individuals requesting services or on any waitlists; and 3) the number of individuals in the State that that qualify for these services.

As required under Act 178, Part III, Section 40, the Department is required to report the following for the Nursing Home Without Walls Program:

The total number of clients receiving services in FY05 was 929.

The number of clients projected to receive services in FY06 is 1066.

The number of clients on a waitlist is 1.

The number of individuals in the State that qualify for and choose these services is equal to the number of individuals in the program because there is no wait list.

As required under Act 178, Part III, Section 40, the Department is required to report the following for the Residential Alternative Community Care Program:

The total number of clients receiving services in FY05 was 1144.

The number of clients projected to receive services in FY06 is 1200.

There is no waitlist for the RACC program.

The number of individuals in the State that qualify for these services is equal to the number of Medicaid funded individuals in nursing home facilities (approximately 2000) in addition to the number of individuals receiving RACC services (1144). Because there is no wait list, it is assumed that all who are qualified as well who choose to be in the RACC program are in the RACC program. Since July 2003, the Going Home Project that was initiated by Director Lillian B. Koller has transitioned 400 ICF/SNF institutionalized individuals from hospitals to the RACC home and community-based program.